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My Dear Anna,

Several days ago I rec'd a
dramatic letter from Marie and have today
answered it. Please read it. The time has
come when the children should understand
their parents or else the gulf will grow
wider & deeper. The shadow on their lives
will not be so dark and they will have
more respect for us both when they know
that it is an honest difference.

There are two courses open to us. One
is for you to seek legal separation and alimony,

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which you are entitled to from the fact that I
have not as a husband lived with you for over
seven years. The other course, is for our
children and the public to know that we are
living separate, so there will not be no hiding
and concealing and pretending, with each
playing without reference to how it suits the other,
but without legal separation. In either event
I wd be pleased to have you come here and
make this your home where I could call
occasionally and show the world that I
respect you, provided such a residence suited
you.